

to surcharge Mr. Bennett's estate with the discrepancy, and in the ensuing proceedings a judicial determination may be had as to what the trust estate of Mrs. Bell did consist of and an effort made to disclose the whereabouts of the present funds.

dodging the issue by merely stating that all funds already have been transferred to him, and states that their answer is certainly insufficient "not a frivolous response to a petition filed by an officer appointed by this court in the protection of his fiduciary rights."

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West Virginia Fights to Support Restriction Law.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—Dismissal of injunction proceedings brought by Ohio and Pennsylvania to enjoin enforcement of a West Virginia law restricting

to-day in the Supreme Court by Attorney-General Edward T. England of New York. Mr. England said that the legislation was constitutional and charged that a monopoly of natural gas produced in that State was held by some few companies, which obtained 75 per cent of it into other States.

AMERICAN FREIGHTER STRIKES
Pascale Bridge Strikes Beach Of
Barnegat, N. J.

The American freight steamer Pascale, which was chartered by the War Department for New York, is ashore off Barnegat on the New Jersey coast. The Pascale Bridge, 3,655 tons, is owned by the United States Shipping Board and under operation of the Ward Line.

A wireless message from the captain of the ship, received by the managing agent here, said that the tug boat, with his assistance, had in no immediate danger and the ship in no imminent dan-

ner. The cargo of the vessel consists of grain. The vessel is bow on to the shore and resting on the bottom presumably for about one-half her length in twenty-one feet of water. A slight list to starboard has resulted.

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